(*c*) whether they have received complaints that the students in the hostels at Trivandrum are supplied bad rice ; and

(*d*) whether it is possible to supply good paddy or rice to them at least?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The Hostels are being supplied with rice, wheat (including wheat products) and maize or bajra.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of the answer to (*c*) above.

Import of Ghee and Butter into Travancore.

52. ***Mr. N. Narayana Kurup:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any reports from the ghee and butter merchants of Alleppey or other places complaining that import of ghee and butter into Travancore is prohibited by Cochin and British India ; and

(*b*) if so, when and what action has been taken on such complaints till now ?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Madras Government have been addressed for a quota.

Victoria Hospital, Quilon.

53. ***Mr. M. K. Velu Pillai :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of beds available for inpatients in the Victoria Hospital, Quilon ; and

(*b*) the number of inpatients treated in the said Hospital in 1119 ?

Dr. S. John : (*a*) 61.

(*b*) 6,980.

Mr. M. K. Velu Pillai : May I know from the honourable member whether he proposes to increase the .....

President : Order, order. Future action cannot be questioned.

Grant-in-aid Rural Dispensaries.

54. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath** (*Parur, Kunnathunad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of grant-in-aid Rural Dispensaries working in the State ; and

(*b*) whether any provision has been made this year to start new grant-in-aid Rural Dispensaries ?

Dr. S. John : (*a*) Two.

(*b*) No.

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